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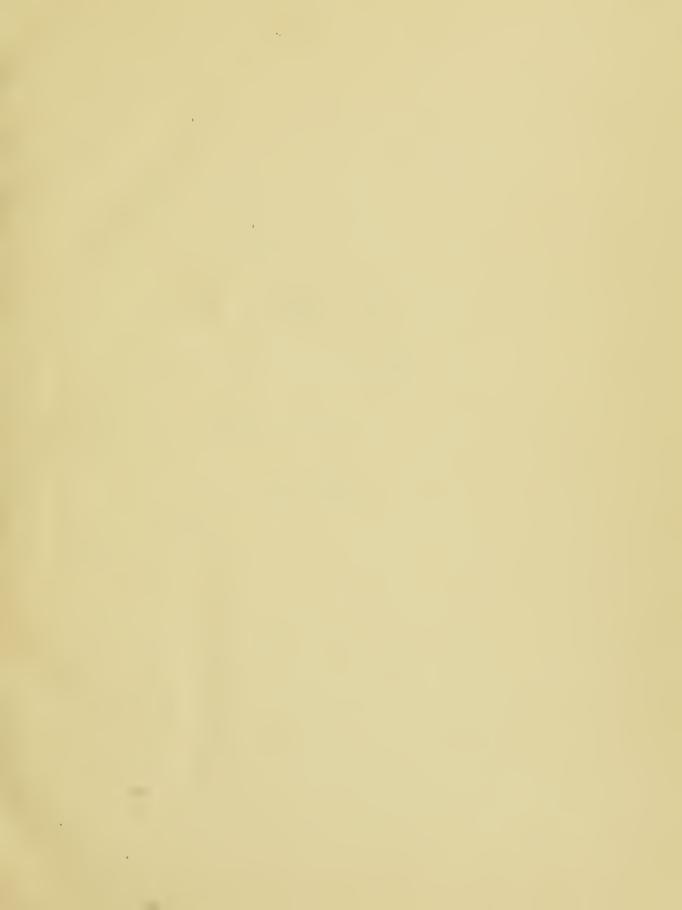
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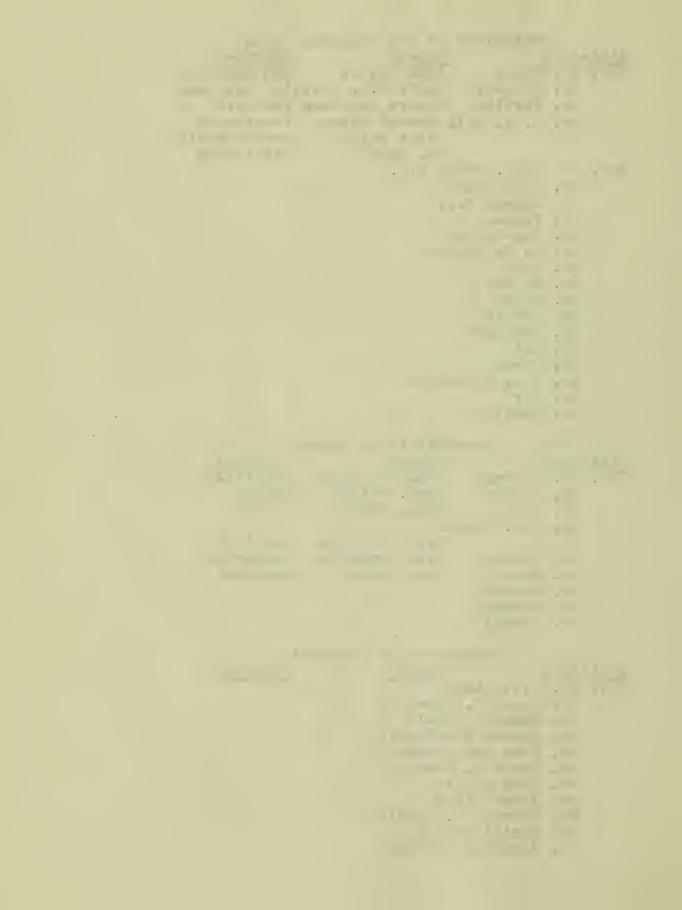
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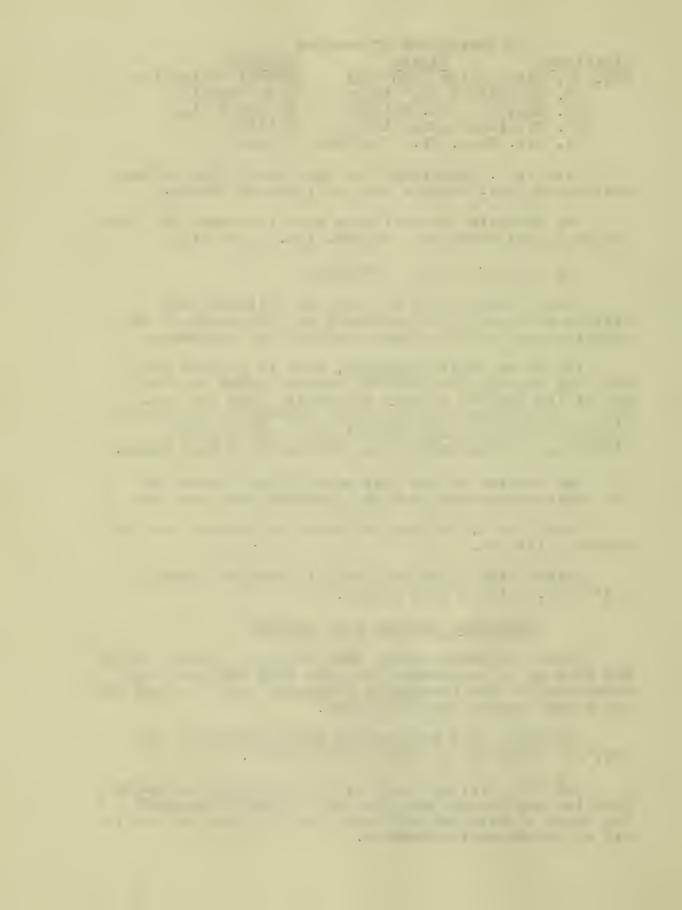
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Statistical Reports from the Presbyteries in connection with the Synod were read and accepted; and the following persons reported therein the Synod, took their seats as members of Synod, viz., Rev. Chas. K. Imbrie and the Rev. Alm H. Dumont of the Presbytery of Lizabethtown and Elder vm. B. Johnston of the 2nd Church of Morristown, Rev. Rufus Taylor and Rev. John Hall of the Presbytery of New Brunswick, and the Rev. Andrew Tully of the Presbytery of New Brunswick, and the Rev. Andrew Tully of the Presbytery of Newton. Chas. J. Nasson and David Longmore- same Presbytery. Rev. J.P. Olmstead of the Presbytery of Raritan and Elder Cornelius Villiamson of the congregation of Flemington opeared in Synod and their reasons for late attendance were sustained.

The Moderator announced the appointment of the following committees viz..

Bills and Overtures Murray, Cooley, Shafer, Kirkpatrick and Platt, Ministers Little, Schenck, D. Griggs and Kuhl, Elders.

Judicial Committee
Dr. McLasn, Magee, Gray, Henry and Villiams, Ministers
Pruden, Eving, McKern and Long, Elders

On the Records of the Presbytery of

Elizabethto.n Castner and Parkins, Ministers

Phillips, Elder.

New Brunswick Villiamson and Erwin, Ministers

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Newton Prof. Dod and H. I. Hunt, Ministers

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Raritan Blauvelt, C. Venster, Ministers

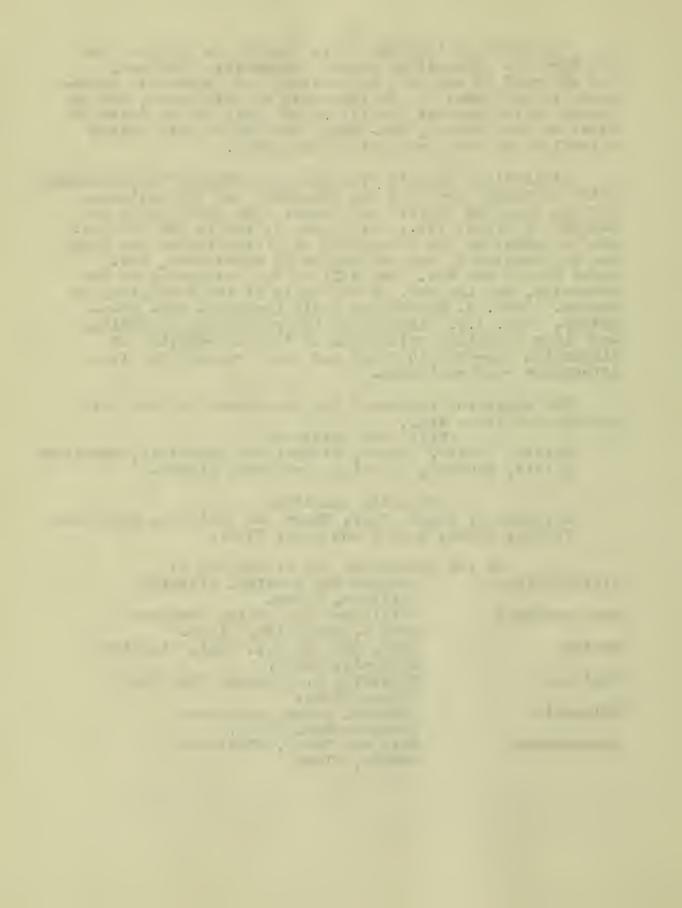
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The committee of Bills and Overtures reported as in order Overture (No. 4) being a petition signed J. Kirk-patrick in relation to Lover German Valley- It was taken up and after considerable discussion, leave was asked and granted to withdraw the paper.

Mr. Blythe had levve of absence for the remainder of today.

Elders Post and Schenck had leave of absence from remaining sessions.

The committee to which was referred to letter of Rev. Stephen Thompson and the subject to which it pretains-made report whih was accepted-adopted and is as follows (on files).

The committee appointed at the last meeting of Synod to report in relation to Domestic Missions made report which was accepted as follows, viz., (on files).

The Preamble and first resolution were adopted.

Mr. Harris and Elder Lum had leave of absence from the remaining sessions.

After which Synod had recess until 7 o'clock this evening.

After recess Synod convened and attended to religious exercises agreeable to report of committee. Present as bofore togother with the Rev. /m. R. Barton of the Presbytery of Elizabethto n, who assigned satisfactory reasons for not coming sooner.

A resolution recommending a portion of time to be employed by each minister in the Synod in Domestic Missionary labour was presented- and after more discussion was referred to a committee consisting of Rev. Yeoman, Dr. McLean and Minister Van Doran.

The Narrative of the State of Religion was presented and read and recommitted.

Adjourned to tomorrow morning at nine o'clock- closed with prayer.

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#### Thursday Morning Nine O'clock

Synod convened opened with prayer- present as before.

Elders Dayton and Crate had leave of absence from the remaining ressions.

The committees on the records of the presbytery of Newton, New Brunswick, Raritan, Caledonia and Elizabethtown, severally made record recommending that they be approved as far as written at this date.

The committee to hich was referred overtures No. 2 and 3 made report which was accepted.

Committee appointed at the last meeting of Synod in reference to division of Presbytery of Newton reported (on file).

Committee on Susquehanna records re-orted that the box had not been placed in their hands, and requested to be discharged. the committee was discharged.

Mr. Alward, Mr. Gray, Col. McKean, Tully, Eitenbergher, Webster, Irwin had leave of absence from the remaining sessions of Synod.

After which Synod had recess till 3 o'clock.

After recess Synod convened- present as before.

The committee appointed to examine and report upon the linutes made report which was accepted and adopted and is as follows (on file).

The com ittee to which was referred the overture of the Presbytery of Flizabethto in No. 1. made report which was accepted, amended and adopted as follows (on file).

The unfinished business namely the report of the committee to which was referred overtures No. 2 and 3 was taken up and after amendment the preamble and first resolution were add ted as follows (on file).

Resolved, that the request contained in overture No. 2 be granted and that the congregation of German Valley and Fox Hill with their Pastor, the Nev. James Scott be detached from the presbytery of Raritan and attached to the Presbytery of Newton.

. . . The second secon and the second of the second o  The second resolution was taken up and in the vords followin, and upon motion it was referred to a committee of five to report to next meeting of Synod. Messrs. Studdiford, br. McLean, Magee, Gray, Am. Wilson and Ogden.

Messrs. Scott, Delicken, Birch, J. Cory, Pruden and Blythe had leave of absence, also Williams, Stimer, Mahon and Phillips.

Rev. C. D. Ridgers of the Synod of Jost Tennessee being present was invited to sit as a correspondent.

The Narrative of the state of Religion was reported by the committee to which it was recommitted- amended and adopted and in as follows.

The committee to which was referred the matter of Missionary Labour within the bounds of the Synod made report which was accepted amended and adopted (file).

Magee and Stated of r's Committee to publish extracts of Minutes.

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Janitor's Bill and Stationar, bill ordered to be paid.

Adjourned- closed with prayer.



#### APPRHDIT

- 1. MARRATIN OF THE STATE OF PELISION.
- 2. PRECBYTURIAL STATISTICAL TEROTOR.



# NARRACIVE OF THE SCATE OF DULISION 1841

The Synod of New Jersey in their annual narrative of the state of religion within their bounds would eratefully record their experience of the Lord's socdness to them the past year. In addition to an increased attention to the preaching of the word and the outward and ordingry means of grace in all our churches, some of them have been favoured with special manifestations of the Lord's presence in the gracious out pouring of his spirit upon them. The various causes of Christian benevolence have found favour in the eyes of the proble at large. though we are desirous of sceing a greater attention paid to the calls of the respected and beloved boards of our church especially the Boards of Lomestic Missions and of Education which are in circumstances of great exigency-The Sabbath School cause is fourishing in all our churches. It is truly delightful to lear that an increased attention is given to the catechatical instruction of the youth in Sabb th Schools, by Pastors, yet merhans there may be some reason to fear the existence of an evil, in connection with this subject lamented in the report of one of our Presbyteries, to wit, that the business of catechetical instruction is to often delegated by Pastors and parents to the Tabbith School teacher. The temmerance cause, coner lly speaking is happily on the increase within the bounds of the synod, although in some places, symptons of decreacing interest are too visible. In the Prosbyter, of Maritan the prostest zeal for Temperance has apparently existed. In many congregations the total abstinence wledge has been extencively adopted, and many remarkable reformations are stated as the consequence. The Synod has reason to believe although but one Presbytery has reported the fact, that the day of Fastire and Prayer, recommended by the President of the United States to be observed throughout our county, on the occasion of the death of our chief magistrate, was duly observed by all the churches within our bounds.

and the second s \_ Some things of a special character the Synod would report as subjects of joy and pratitude.

The Presbytery of Caledonia has enjoyed no remarkable revival of religion, yet by continued accessions, the churches have been considerably increased. Within the bounds of the Presbytery of Taritan, important additions have been made to most, if not all the churches. A special awakening has recently commenced in the United first Church of Ammell. In the congregations of Solebury a number have been hopefully converted—and much serious attention to religion prevails in the church at Pleasant Grove.

It must be highly interesting to know that La Payette College, within the bounds of the Presbytery of Newton is reported to be in a very prosperous condition—that well founded expectations are entertained of a very satisfactory addition to the present number of students—that the institution is regarded as a valuable auxiliary to religion and science.

The Presbytery of New Brunswick has been more particularly favored with the outpouring of the Voly Spirit. Furing the last summer the church at Mingston which heretofcre was comparatively small has been wonderfull; increased beyond the experience of many years. The powerful work of Grace there wrought by the good spirit of the Lord resulted in the hopeful conversion of 49 souls, which were added to that church at its recent communion while the Pastor fondly hopes that yet more precious aleanings of this harvest will be rathered. This awarening has extended to various places in the neighborhood, and especially to the Congregation of Princeton, where great scriousness prevailed, which lives us fond hope that the Lord has great blessings in store for that people.

Before the termination of the session of the cellege of New Jersey, at the last commencement this good work was beginning to manifest itself among the students, a few of whom were rejoicing in hope, while many others frequented the religious meetings which were held with special reference to them. This calls for earnest prayer on the part of the Synod on behalf of the dear youth of that institution that when they return againto College they may be brought under the converting influences of the spirit, so that the church maybe encouraged to hope from an increased number of pious as well as educated youth, she may find many willing to dedicate themselves to the ministry of the word.



The state of religion in the Pheological Seminary is decidly favorable, and the diligence and deportment of the students every way commendable. In this connection, the Synod are concerned to learn that the pocuniary resources of this most valuable institution of the church have been greatly impaired of late, and they fondly hope that the appeal just made by the committee of the Ceneral Assembly in its behalf will be directly and warmly responded to by the churches within our bounds.

upon the whole, while the Symod deepl, deplore the existence of much coloness and languar in many of the churches within its bounds, and the prevalence of so great an evil as the profanation of the Sabbath, in parts of the Symod, and while it would urge these as reasons and occasions of much humility, and of geniume and deep rejentance, of renewed exertions for the promotion of the cause of Christ on the part of all our Pastors and elders and deacons and communicants, the Symod would still greatly rejoice in the existence of so many things that are favorable and be thankful to God for the continuance of so many great reroies.



# PRESBYTERIAL STATISTICAL REPORTS 1841

1. The Presbytery of Tlizabethtown report to the Synod of New Jersey that they consist of 27 "inisters, and have under their care 33 Congregations. 6 Licentiates and 6 Candidates.

The Presbytery moreover report that on the 12th of November last, they ordained Mr. Jonathon P. Alward a licentiate under their care, to the work of the gospel ministry as he was going to Africa as a missionary-that on the 17th of the same month they dissolved the posteral relation between the Rev. Thomas L. Janeway and the church of Lahway and dismissed Ir. Janeway to join the Presbytery of Philadelphia-that on the 21st of Becember, they dismissed Tr. Edwin W. Reinhart to put himself under the care of the Prestytery of Caledonia -that on the 5th of January last, they received I'r. Charles K. Imbrie, a licentiate from the Presbyter, of Philadelphia. and on the same day ordained him to work of the mosocl ministry and installed him Pastor of the church of Rahway-that on the 20th of the same month they received the Rev. Abraham 4. Dumont from the Rhode Island Association of Orthodox Congregational Ministers, and on the same day installed him Pastor of the church of Torristown-that on the 21st of April they dismissed the Rev. Charles S. Mills to join the New Waven East Association-that on the 28th of May, they dissolved the pastoral relation between the Lev. John F. Clark and the first church of Paterson-that the Nev. Jonathon P. Alward, Missionary in Africa departed this life at Cape Palmas on the 21st of April, - that on the 1st day of June they organized the 2nd Presbyterian Church of Morristown-that on the 6th of October they licensed I'r. John F. Pingrey and John L. Charman to preach the gospel and on the same day omitted the name of the Nev. John ". reeman because the General Assembly had included him in the newly formed Presbytery of Allahabad.

By order of Presbytery
JAMES M. HUNTTING, Stated Clerk.



2. The Presbytery of New Brunswick report to the Synod Of New Jersey that they consist of 37 Ministers, and have under their care 19 Congregations, 7 Licentiates, and 9 Candidates.

The Presbytery further report that on the 10th of Movember 1640, they ordained I'r. Rufus Taylor a licentiate under their care to the work of the pospel ministry and installed him Pastor of the church of Shrewsbury-that on the 2nd of February 1841, they dismissed the Rev. William R. S. Betts to Join the Presbytery of West Jersey, and Mr. John M. Gilbreath, a licentiate to put himself under the care of the Presbytery of Wissouri-that on the 3d of the same month they licensed Messrs. Menry F. Bowen and Thomas D. Lea to preach the gespel-that on the 27th of April they dismissed Chauncey Leavenworth a licentiate to put himself under the care of the Presbytery of Richland-Leroy J. Valsey and Thomas D. Lea licentiates to out themselves under the care of the Prosbytery of South Alabama-William Y. Allen a licentiate to but himself under the care of the Presbytery of Crawfordsville-Camuel F. Colt and Isaac Davidson licentiates to jut the selver under the care of the Presbytery of est Jersey-that on the same day they dis issed the Nev. James ". Woodrard to join the Tolland County Associations of Connecticut and dissolved the pastoral relation between the Tev. John M. Yeomans and the congregation of Trenton City - that on the 25th of the same month they licensed "essrs. John "iller, Allen T. Graves. and William A. Smith to preach the forgal-that on the 3d of August they received I'r. John Tall a licentiate from the Presbytery of Philadelphia, and dismissed ir. Jerome Twitchell a licentiate to put hisself under the care of the Presbytery of Louisians-that on the 11th of August they ordained ir. John Fall to the work of the gospel ministry and installed him Pastor of the Church of Trenton City, and dismirsed the Tev. John W. Ye omans to join the Presbytery of Heaton-and that on the 5th of October they dismissed Fr. Coorge W. Thompson a licentiate under their care to put hirself under the care of the Presbytery of Morthumberland.



The Licentiates under the care of the Presbytery of New Brunswick are John L. Mart, John G. Mowell, Joshua McIlvaine, Henry F. Bowen, John Miller, Allen T. Graves, Milliam A. Saith.

By order of Presbytery. PLI F. COOLEY, Stated Clerk.

3. The Presbytery of Newton report to the Symod of New Jersey that they consist of 20 Finisters, and have under their care 25 Congregations and 5 Licentiates.

The Presbytery further report that on the 23rd of November last, they ordained Ur. Andrew Tully, a licentiate under their care to the work of the gospel ministry, and installed him Pastor of the Churches of Toner and Lower "ount Bethel-that on the 1st of December last, they installed the Rev. Joseph Worrel Pastor of the church of Danville-that on the 16th of February 1841, they dismissed the Rev. Isaac M. Candee to join the Presbytery of Columbus-that on the same day, they dissolved the pactoral relation between the Rev. Jonathon H. Sherwood and the churches of Vardwick and Marksborough. and dismissed Mr. Sherwood to join the Presbytery of Laritanthat on the 26th of April they licensed Yessrs. James McWilliam David Coulter and Charles A. Evans to preach the gornel-that on the same day they dissolved the pastoral relation between the Rev. Thuniel B. Condit and the church of Stillwater 1st. and dismissed the Nev. George Junkin, D. b. to join the Presbytery of Oxford and the Nev. John McMair to join the Presbytery of Yew Castle-that on the Dird of June they installed the Rev. Thaniel B. Condit Pastor of the churches of Thowlton and Blairstown-that on the oth of October, they received the Rev. John W. Yeomans from the Presbytery of New Brunswick and the Rev. Baker Johnson from that portion of the Presbytery of Columbia, which seceded, in accordance with the directions of the General Assembly in such cases-that on the 20th of October they dismissed Mr. David Coulter a licentiate under their care to nut himself under the care of the Presbytery of vississippi-that on the same day they received the Rev. Charles W. Massau from the 2nd Presbytery of Philadelphia, and the Rev. David Longmore, late a member of the Presbytery of Brooklyn, in accordance with the directions of the General Assembly in such cases.

By order of Presbytery.
JOHN GRAY. Stated Clerk.

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4. The Presbytery of Susquehanna report to the Synod of New Jersey that they consist of 11 Vinisters, and have under their care 18 Churches, 1 Licentiate and 4 Candidates.

The Presbytery further report that on the 24th of October last, they received the Rev. Simeon N. Jones from the Presbytery of Caledonia-that on the same day they received the church of Crawfordsville from the Presbytery of Chemung.-that on the 3d of February 1841, they received the Rev. Daniel Jones, an independent minister from Wales according to the directions of the Tynod at its last meeting-that on the 25rd of August, they dismissed the Rev. Dawin Bronson to join the Presbytery of Caledonia, and on the same day dismissed Mr. Samuel Melne, a licentic te under their care to put himself under the care of the Presbytery of Philadelphia-and that on the 5th of October they licenced Mr. James N. Lewis to preach the Jospel.

By order of the Pre-bytery.
JOHN BORRAMOR, "tated Clerk.

5. The Presbytery of Galedonia report to the Synod of New Jersey that they consist of 14 Winisters, and have under their care 10 Congregations and 2 Candidates.

The Presbytery further report that on the 10th of Movenber last, they received the Nev. John Gosman from the Classis of Philadelphia, and on the 11th of the same month installed him Pastor of the church of Wentz-that on the 5th of January 1841, they received under their care "r. Edwin ". Reinhart a licentiate from the Presbytery of Ulizabethtown and on the day following ordained him to the work of the gospel ministry and installed hir pastor of the church of "ienna-that on the 11th of February they received the key. John 7. Baldwin of the Presbytery of Angelica, in accordance with the directions of the Teneral Assembly in such cases-that on the 5th of Tay they organized a church in Lindeley-that on the 1st of September last, they received the Rev. "dwin Bronson from the Presbytery of Susquehanna, and on the 13th of October installed him Pastor of the church of Windsor-that on the 1st of September they received the Rev. John W. McDonald of the Baptist Church-and that on the 15th of September the Rev. John W. Reddington departed this life.

By order of Presbytery.
ISAAC W. PLATT, Stated Clerk.



6. The Presbytery of Raritan report to the Synod of New Jersey, that they consist of 10 "inisters, and have under their care 14 Congregations and 1 Condidate.

The Presbytery further report that on the Oth of April 1841, they received the Rev. Jonathon 4. Sherwood from the Presbytery of Newton and on "ay 4th and 5th installed him Pastor of the churches of "ilford and Kingwood-and that on the 5th of October they ordained "r. William Liddle, a licentiate under their care to the tork of the gospel ministry, as an Evangelist.

By order of Presbytery.
PMTTR O. STADDIFOLD, Stated Clerk.

